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# SLATE'S SEED MARKET NEWS

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## MORE CORN NEEDED

This year the world will face a shortage of grain both for feeding and for bread. If we are to maintain our world position and avoid hunger here at home, we must have grain. The tobacco farmers will be faced with a cut in the acreage and corn seems to offer a good profit. But with the poor growing season of last year, seed corns will be scarce. The West will have a much smaller crop of Hybrids than usual and much of the Hybrid seed this year will be of lower quality than usual. We are fortunate in having a good crop produced in the East and the quality will be excellent. We are starting the season with a good supply of the best Hybrid varieties but we anticipate an unusually heavy demand. Our advice to you is to order your Hybrid corn early and be sure of getting the variety you wish.



## FERMATE CONTROLS

Blue Mold in Plant Beds.

Last spring this material was very scarce and we could not begin to supply the demand. This year we are promised a much better supply and unless something unforeseen develops, we expect to be able to take care of our customers. We have used this material for several years and are convinced that it is the only practical thing to control Blue Mold in tobacco beds. It is entirely harmless to the plants and actually makes them grow faster. It is simple to prepare and easy to apply and the cost is only \$2.40 for spraying 100 yards of plant bed for a season. Fermate sprayed plants grow faster in the beds, live better when transplanted, and grow off into strong healthy plants in the field.

A three pound bag will take care of 100 Sq. Yds. of bed for the season. This costs you only \$2.40 post-paid. Full directions for its use will be found on page 39 of our catalog. No tobacco grower can afford to risk his crop and Fermate offers the cheapest and best insurance. This material is also good for spraying Tomatoes, Irish Potatoes, Roses and many other plants that are subject to blight or similar diseases.

## SAVE YOUR SOIL

Many farmers have practiced soil conservation for years and they know the profits to be derived from it. But there are still many farms washing away and becoming poorer each year. With the tobacco acreage cut this year, there will be thousands of acres of land to leave out of crop. Take care of the soil on these fields. Make them better so that when they come back into crop they will make more. This can be done with fallow and cover crops. Sow every field to some crop regardless of whether you can save the crop or not. Sow extra pasture land. It is the cheapest feed for livestock and holds the soil together. Dairy herds and beef cattle will be profitable if you have ample pasturage for them. Make this a year to preserve your soil and make it produce some feed at the same time.

## YOUR GARDEN FOR 1948

Even the best informed will readily admit that they cannot predict the outcome of the present uncertainties. No one seems to know whether our economy is riding to new high levels or on the brink of a depression. The wise man will prepare for the worst while hoping for the best.

Your garden is a vital factor in your livelihood. You should not overlook this fact in making your plans for the new year. You are certain to face a reduction in your income this year and by all means, you should prepare to reduce your expenses. Good living at home is made possible by a good garden. No land on your farm produces more income than a garden. Then see to it that your 1948 garden has every attention and the best possible care.

## SEED OATS FOR SPRING

The shortage of grain can be relieved to a great extent with spring oats. These furnish valuable feed for poultry and livestock and save vital bread grains. For early seeding, we recommend Victorgrain and for later seeding Columbia. Both of these are heavy yielding sorts. Oats seeded in the spring not only make a valuable addition to the grains needed on the farm but also permit seeding of Lespedeza and other hay and cover crops. Seed spring oats liberally this year.

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# SLATE'S FIELD SEED

## Price List

South Boston, Va.

January 1, 1948

Price Change

Write for a New List At Any Time

**TERMS.**—Subject to being unsold, market changes, and our usual non-warranty, we offer the following seeds. Every lot of field seeds of ten pounds or more is tagged in accordance with the Agricultural Seed Laws of Virginia and North Carolina. Samples with Purity and Germination tests will be sent upon request. Prices on Field Seeds fluctuate. This list is issued every week during the season and we shall be glad to send a revised copy to anyone upon request.

**SHIPPING CHARGES.**—When quotations have "Postpaid" above them, it means that we will deliver goods at these prices by parcel post up to the 4th zone without extra charge. Freight or Express above a quotation means that customer is to pay delivery charges, but no charge for sacks. Those who wish may order by these prices and add the exact amount of postage necessary.

**SACKS FREE.**—We make no extra charge for sacks of any kind.

CLOVERS	Postpaid		Exp.
	Lb.	10 Lbs.	100 Lbs.
Alfalfa, Kansas .....	\$ .55	\$5.00	\$40.00
Alsike .....	.65	6.00	55.00
Red .....	.80	7.50	70.00
Sapling .....	.80	7.50	70.00
Ladino .....	2.75	26.00	240.00
White Dutch .....	1.00	9.00	75.00
White Sweet, Scarified .....	.40	3.00	20.50

GRASSES	Postpaid		Exp.
	Lb.	10 Lbs.	100 Lbs.
Herds Grass .....	\$ .40	\$3.50	\$23.00
Italian Rye (Domestic) .....	.30	2.50	15.00
Perennial Rye .....	.40	3.50	26.00
Meadow Fescue .....	.45	4.00	28.00
Timothy .....	.30	2.30	13.00
Orchard Grass .....	.40	3.50	25.00
Kentucky Blue .....	.55	5.00	36.00
Sudan Grass .....	.30	2.50	15.00
Sweet Sudan .....	.40	3.50	25.00
Alta Fescue .....	.80	7.00	60.00

MISCELLANEOUS SEEDS	Postpaid		Exp.
	Lb.	10 Lbs.	100 Lbs.
Dwarf Essex Rape .....	\$ .30	\$2.50	\$20.00
Japanese Buckwheat .....	.30	2.00	10.00
Combine Milo .....	.30	2.00	10.00
Evergreen Broom Corn .....	.30	2.50	20.00
Mammoth Sunflower .....	.30	2.50	20.00

MILLET	Postpaid		Exp.
	Lb.	10 Lbs.	100 Lbs.
Golden or German .....	\$ .25	\$2.00	\$12.50

SLATE'S SEED CORN	Postpaid		Exp.
	Gal.	Pk.	Bu.
Hickory King .....	\$1.00	\$1.75	\$ 4.00
Virginia White Dent .....	1.00	1.75	4.00
Early White Dent .....	1.25	2.00	4.50
Silver King .....	1.25	2.00	4.50
Jarvis Prolific .....	1.00	1.75	4.00
Reids Yellow Dent .....	1.00	1.75	4.00

HYBRID SEED CORN	Postpaid		Exp.
	Gal.	Pk.	Bu.
Funk's G-515, White .....	\$2.35	\$4.40	\$12.50
Funk's G-80, Yellow .....	2.25	4.25	12.00
Funk's G-135, Yellow .....	2.25	4.25	12.00
Funk's G-711, Yellow .....	2.25	4.25	12.00
Funk's G-145, Yellow .....	2.25	4.25	12.00
U. S. No. 357, Yellow .....	2.15	4.00	10.50
Tennessee No. 10, White .....	2.15	4.00	10.50
Kentucky No. 203, White .....	2.15	4.00	10.50
U. S. No. 262, Yellow .....	2.15	4.00	10.50

PEANUTS	Postpaid		Exp.
	Lb.	5 Lbs.	100 Lbs.
Virginia .....	\$ .35	\$1.50	\$25.00
Spanish .....	.35	1.50	25.00
Tennessee Red .....	.35	1.50	25.00

SOUP BEANS	Postpaid		Exp.
	Lb.	5 Lbs.	100 Lbs.
White Navy .....	\$ .35	\$1.50	\$25.00
Red Kidney .....	.35	1.50	25.00

SEED OATS	By Frt. or Exp.	
	Bu.	10 Bu.
Victorgrain .....	\$2.25	\$ 2.15
Fulgrain .....	2.25	2.15
Gray Winter Turf .....	2.40	2.30
Columbia Spring .....	2.10	2.00

SOY BEANS	By Frt. or Exp.	
	Bu.	10 Bu.
Wilson Early Blacks .....	\$4.90	\$ 4.75
Virginia Brown .....	4.90	4.75
Woods Yellow .....	4.90	4.75
Laredos .....	5.00	4.85

EDIBLE COW PEAS	Postpaid		Exp.
	Lb.	5 Lbs.	100 Lbs.
Large Blackeye .....	\$ .45	\$2.00	\$27.50

SORGHUM	Postpaid		Exp.
	Lb.	10 Lbs.	100 Lbs.
Early Amber .....	\$ .30	\$2.25	\$12.00
Sugar Drip .....	.30	2.50	15.00

SEED IRISH POTATOES	By Frt. or Exp.	
	Pk.	Bu.
Irish Cobbler, Maine Grown .....	\$1.00	\$3.75
		\$ 5.00

SEED SWEET POTATOES	By Frt. or Exp.	
	Bushel	
Nancy Hall, Yellow .....	\$ 4.00	
Porto Rico, Red .....	4.00	
Cunningham, White .....	4.00	

ONION SETS	Postpaid				Exp.
	Qt.	Gal.	Pk.	Bu.	
	1 Lb.	4 Lb.	8 Lb.	32 Lb.	
White Bottom .....	\$ .35	\$1.10	\$2.00	\$4.75	
Yellow Bottom .....	.35	1.10	2.00	4.30	
Ebenezer .....	.35	1.10	2.00	4.30	
White Multiplier .....	.35	1.10	2.00	4.75	
Yellow Potato .....	.35	1.10	2.00	5.00	
(If available)					

LESPEDeza	Postpaid		Exp.
	Lb.	10 Lbs.	100 Lbs.
Korean .....	\$ .30	\$2.50	\$15.00
Kobe .....	.40	3.50	20.00
Serecia, Scarified .....	.45	4.00	30.00



ORDER SHEET FOR

**Slate Seed Company, Inc.**

SOUTH BOSTON, VIRGINIA

<i>KINDLY SHIP TO</i>		<i>Date</i>
<i>Mr.</i> <i>Mrs.</i> <i>Miss</i>		AMOUNT ENCLOSED
		<i>P. O. Order</i>
(To avoid errors, kindly write your name plainly)		<i>Express Order</i>
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<i>Post Office</i>		<i>Cash or Stamps</i>
<i>County</i>	<i>State</i>	<i>Amount of Order</i>
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<i>Express Office</i>	<i>on</i>	(On items not quoted postpaid)
(Always give Express Office or Freight Station and Railroad)		<i>Total</i>

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